

expectantly, paws outstretched, before the front door, waiting pessimistically for E, his be-all and end-all. Touching devotion.

Thursday, July 18, 1957

Frau Toscha.

Herbert Blankenhorn came to see me and we talked for a couple of hours about disarmament. Then I had a go with Al Vigderman regarding our Status of Forces negotiations. Kit Steel stopped by for ~~some~~ afterthoughts on our discussion of yesterday.

I called on the Chancellor at 11:45 a.m. Blankenhorn, Grewe and Weber were there. I may report privately to Foster Dulles the Chancellor's comments on Stassen, whom he views rather contemptuously as maladroit, foolishly optimistic, an extremely poor negotiator, and altogether a blundering, unformed and therefore dangerous emissary. He indicated that, in his recent conversation with Al Gruenther, his judgment of Stassen struck a sympathetic chord. Whatever may or may not be the justice of his views, they do affect his political conduct.

I sent off the following telegram to the Department:

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